भोवापुर गांव का विद्युतीकरण

2639. **श्री पृथ्वी माझी :** क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि अलीगढ़ जिले में चन्दौस ब्लाक के भोवापुर गांव (कूट संख्या 118) में बिजली उपलब्ध करा दी गई है ; यदि हां, तो कब और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं और क्या सरकार निकट भविष्य में उक्त गांव में बिजली उपलब्ध कराने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा किया लिए जाने की संभावना है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

ऊर्जा मंत्रालय में विद्युत विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती सुशीला रोहतगी) : (क) उत्तर प्रदेश राज्य बिजली बोर्ड के अनुसार, मुख्य गांव टीकरी (कोड सं०-118) को भोवापुर जिसका एक खेडा है, 31-3-1984 को विद्युतीकृत कर दिया गया था।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Monopoly production of Tolbutamide etc.

2640. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 90 per cent share of the market of Tolbutamide, 100 per cent share of Benzocain, 100 per cent share of Bacitracin, 100 per cent share of Kenamycin, 100 per cent share of Lincomycin, 100 per cent share of Polymixin, 100 per cent share of Colistin, 100 per cent share of Metformin is being enjoyed by individual companies of individual products;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that these drugs were recommended for price decontrol; and

(c) what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Market shares of companies are not monitored by the Department of Chemicals and Petro-chemicals.

(b) and (c) These drugs are neither in the recent WHO list of essential drugs nor in the other list of 166 drugs considered by the Kelkar Committee for inclusion in Category II drugs.

Nomination of directors in the management of Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Ltd.

2641. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court of India in its judgement dated 23rd January, 1987, gave a clean chit to the Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Limited thereby putting its seal of approval; and

(b) if so, what were the specific circumstances which compelled the the Company Law Board to apply Section 408 of the Companies Act, 1956 in nominating four Government Directors in the management of the Company particularly when that section is applied to a mismanaged company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Pursuant to a show cause notice issued to M/s Peerless General Finance & nvestment Co. Ltd. which contained references to observations by the Supreme Court of India in its judgement, dated 22 January, 1987, in Civil Appeal No. 3563 of 1986 etc. (Reserve Bank of India Vs. Peerless General Finance & Investment Company Limited and Others) the Company Law Board passed an order under section 408 of the Companies Act, 1956 appointing 4 Government Directors on

the Board of the company with a view to preventing the company's affairs from being conducted in a manner which is prejudicial to the interests of the company and to the public interest, both jointly and severally.

Posts lying vacant in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas

2642. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts lying vacant in the Departments of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas during the last three years;

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in filling up of these posts; and

(c) what are the details of the measures taken by Government to fill up these posts?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) No post has been vacant for the entire duration of the last three years in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of (a) bove.

Price rise of medicines

2643. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2360 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 30th November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of Tetanus Antitoxin, Redoxon tablets, Ludermol Injection, Astidil tablets, Aminophylline tablets, Acitrone tablets 4mg., Arovit injection, Arovit drops, Benadon tablets have gone up by more than 150 per cent after the announcement of DPCO, 1987; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for such price hikes and what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Due to Government intervention, M/s Burroughs Wellcome and M/s. Serum Institute have agreed to reduce the price of Aminophyline tablets and Tetanus antitoxin respectively. As per provisions of DPCO, 1987, the manufacturers of non-scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices of their products.

Gas consumption by Power Houses in Gujarat

2644. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that consumption of gas has proved to be much costlier as compared to the coal consumption by the power houses in Gujarat;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the calorifict value of two tonnes of coal is equivalent to 1,000 Cu. Mt. of gas;

(c) what is the price of two tonnes of coal and that of 1000 Cu. Mt. of gas;

(d) whether Government are considering to refix the prices of gas in relation to its caloric value so as to market it comparable with the prices of coal; and

(e) whether gas from isolated wells from Gujarat is being utilised and if so, what are the market rates for the same?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) No, Sir.